Truck approval angers Sumpter

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SUMPTER TWP. — The roar of trucks is becoming a familiar sound to the township residents near Rawsonville Road — and it is a sound that township officials are fighting to stop.

The Sumpter Township Board of Trustees voted 6-0 in favor of a resolution against the decision to change the classification of Rawsonville Road to allow trucks to travel it.

Clerk Joan Oddy was absent from the Tuesday night meeting.

"The county, unfortunately, has decided without any warning or hearing to change Rawsonville Road from class two to class one," said Supervisor Marvin Banotai. "It seems we don't have a say in the matter."

The decision, by the Washtenaw County Road Commission, will allow trucks of a heavier weight and size classification to travel Rawsonville Road day or night, Banotai said.

"Even though Rawsonville Road is partially in Wayne County and Washtenaw County, Rawsonville Road is handled by Washtenaw County road people," he said.

"We have already received calls from the residents about this," he added. "We receive about 10 to 15 complaints a day about the speeding and the truck traffic."

Another problem is the speed limit has increased from 50 mph to 55 mph since Rawsonville Road was changed to class 1, Banotai said.

The road signs that prohibited trucks from traveling Rawsonville Road have already been removed, said Police Chief Clinton Brown.

"The trucks have started traveling Rawsonville Road at 5 a.m. and then keep on going late in the evening as well," Brown said.

The board also agreed to get the assistance of other communities that are affected by the decision.

"We are going to send letters about this situation to Augusta Township, Ypsilanti Township and Van Buren Township governments. In addition, we will be sending letters to our state representatives to get assistance," Banotai said.

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young readers who are fortunate enough to have their parents (or even one parent) to give a gift that money can't buy: a letter expressing love and gratitude for the countless things that a parent must do to raise a child.

My belated condolences on the loss of your beloved brother Dan.

DEAR ABBY: I work as a cashier in a major grocery store in Garland, N.C. Recently a woman with a newborn baby came through my checkout lane. After I told her the amount of her purchase, she reached into her bra, pulled out a wad of food stamps, handed them to me

Peop

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The court, without comment,
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FOR THE

DEATHS

Hudge, Shirley A., 49, of Sumpter Township; David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville.

Jones, Willie F., 76, of Sumpter Township; David C. Brown Funeral Home, Belleville.

BIRTHS

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN HOSPITALS

To John and Kathy Smith of Ypsilanti, a boy: Nathaniel Clarence; 7 pounds, Oct. 11.

STOCKS

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AT&T	42⅜	42	42⅜
Archive	6⅞	6⅝	6⅞
ADP	46¼	45¾	45⅞
Chrysler	23⅜	22⅞	23⅛
Com-Share	8½	8	8½
Con.Power	17½	17¼	17½
DanaCorp	37¼	36⅞	37⅛
DetEd	32	31⅝	31¾
Dow Chem	54¾	54	54¼